MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN : To a very large extent, yes.

Cold Storage Plant.

306. *MR. S. NARAYANA PILLAI : Will the Government be pleased to state whether the Cold Storage Plant in the Fisheries Department has resumed work?

MR. C. V CHANDRASEKHARAN : No.

Resolutions regarding the Public Services in the State.

307. *MR. A. K. KUMARAN VAIDYAN (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*) : Will the Government be pleased to state the steps they have taken to give effect to the resolutions regarding the public services in the State, passed by the Legislature during the last session ?

MR. G. NARAYANAN TAMPI : The resolutions are under consideration.

Special Holiday for Ezhavas.

308. *MR. MURUKKUMPUZHA V. KUNJUKRISHNAN (*Neyyattinkara* cum *Trivandrum*) : Will the Government be pleased to state whether the Ezhava students who did not attend His Highness the Maharaja's College for Women, Trivandrum, on 5th Kanni 1115 (*i. e.*, the Samadhi day of His Holiness Sri Narayana Guru Swami) were marked absent ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN : Yes ; the absence was treated as absence with leave.

Inspector of Police at Puthenchanthai.

309. *MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR : Will the Government be pleased to state whether Mr. Padmanabhan Tampi, the Inspector of Puthenchanthai, was at any time in 1940 suspended until further orders ?

KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB SUHRAWARDY (*Inspector-General of Police*) : Yes.

MR. K NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR : May I know why the Inspector was suspended ?

KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB SUHRAWARDY : The Police Inspector was suspended for certain irregularities committed by him in the course of his duties.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR : May I know whether his suspension was due to an offence committed by him while he was Inspector at Puthenchantai or Edalakudy or Pandalam ?

KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB SUHRAWARDY : The irregularities were committed while he was the Inspector at Edalakudy.

MR K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR : May I know the nature of the offence committed by the Inspector ?

KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB SUHRAWARDY : I have just answered that he was suspended for certain irregularities committed by him in the course of his duties.

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MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR : I want to know the nature of the irregularity committed by him. The Inspector-General says that he was punished for some irregularity. And, that is a very vague answer.

KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB SUHRAWARDY : I will reneat the answer given by me to another honourable member 24 hours before in connection with a similar question. The matter is *sub judice* departmentally and, I am afraid, I cannot divulge the nature of the irregularities committed by him in the discharge of his departmental duties to the honourable member.

PRESIDENT : I find that the honourable member's curiosity has been aroused by certain departmental punishments. But these questions are not going to do any good to the persons whose names are referred to. Obviously the idea would be that a particular person goes and bothers the members to do this and that. But let it be remembered that each man has a right of appeal, and the appeal is considered by Government. In certain departmental punishments meted out by heads of departments it was found from the nature of the evidence collected in respect of the offence that it would give the impression that the man concerned was trying to get behind that order. After all, it may not do him good. In one or two cases that have come to my notice, on an examination of the papers I had to take stronger action in respect of those persons. To my mind obviously the whole matter is being engineered by certain individuals. That is the position.

MR. M. SIVATHANU PILLAI : Is it permissible to put questions on behalf of certain irregularities committed by the officers themselves?

PRESIDENT : General questions of this nature are not within the purview of this particular question.

"Other Hindu" employees in the Anchal Department.

310. *MR. KAVIYOOR K. K. KOCHUKUNJU : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of the clerks, Anchal-men and runners now in service in the Anchal Department, coming under the class of "Other Hindus?"

MR. V. R. SANKARANARAYANA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : Records are not maintained showing the sub-divisions to which members of the public service coming under the classification "Other Hindus" belong.

Statement, by caste, of the persons in the Anchal Department.

311. *MR. THARIATHU KUNJITHOMMEN : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of the persons in the Anchal Department holding appointments carrying a pay of above Rs. 50?

MR. V. R. SANKARANARAYANA PILLAI : The statement is laid on the table.

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